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SUBJECT: BEIRUT AIRPORT DEVELOPMENT

REF: ABU DHABI 0504

1. AIRPORT CONSTRUCTION SITUATION IN LEBANON IS QUITE SIMILAR TO THAT DESCRIBED IN REFTEL FROM ABU DHABI. THANKS TO A TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT, FRENCH FIRMS HAVE BEEN LOOKED INTO THE FIRST PHASE OF THE AIRPORT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM. THE FRENCH TIES DO NOT NECESSARILY EXIST FOR FURTHER DEVELOPMENT AND WE MAKE THE SAME RECOMMENDATION PUT FORTH BY ABU DHABI, I.E., THAT USDOC CONVEY THE INFORMATION ABOUT FURTHER AIRPORT DEVELOPMENT PLANS TO APPROPRIATE U.S. ENGINEERING AND CONSTRUCTION FIRMS. EMBASSY HAS ALREADY APPROACHED KEY FIGURE IN AIRPORT DEVELOPMENT MINISTRY OF PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR GENERAL ANTOINE RAYESS, WHO STATES THAT FURTHER AIRPORT IMPROVEMENT BEYOND PHASE 1 NOT NECESSARILY TIED IN WITH FRENCH FIRMS.WE BELIEVE THAT IT WOULD BE WORTHWHILE FOR INTERESTED U.S. COMPANIES TO APPROACH RAYESS DIRECTLY IN ORDER TO ACQUAINT HIM WITH WHAT IS AVAILABLE ON THE U.S. SIDE.
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